

in Uttar Pradesh after their displacement in large number from East Bengal in 1947; and

(b) if so, by when the matter would be finalized?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Yes, *Sir*.

(b) The proposal is being processed as per approved modalities. It is not possible to indicate the time, as it requires consultation with a number of agencies.

Cruelty towards Animals

2442. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is all round concern in *the* world over the cruelty towards animals in India;

(b) the number of cases registered for cruelty towards animal's during the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) in how many cases offenders have undergone jail terms for inflicting cruelty on animals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Yes, *Sir*.

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Migration of Dalits due to Atrocities

2443. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that due to atrocities perpetrated on SCs and STs, massive trans-migration of dalits from their villages to safer places took place in Gujarat, Bihar and other *States* in recent months;